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GERMAN JOURNALIST WITH FED PRESS OFFICE AND OTHER FEDGOVT CONTACTS REPORTS

ON FED PRESS CHIEF VON ECKARDT EFFORTS BRING ABOUT STATE SEC GLOBKE RESIGNATION:

1. DURING MID-JAN CONVERSATION FED PRESS CHIEF VON ECKARDT WITH SEVERAL JOURNALISTS AND CDU POLITICIANS, SUBJECT TURNED TO <sup>HANS</sup> GLOBKE WHO NOMINALLY VON ECKARDT SUPERIOR. LATTER REMARKED IN PRIVATE ASIDE TO ONE JOURNALIST HE FELT HE HAD CONVINCED ADENAUER THAT GLOBKE HAD OUTLIVED HIS USEFULNESS AND WAS POLITICAL LIABILITY WHICH OPPOSITION WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY EXPLOIT DURING ELECTION CAMPAIGN AS SPD HAD DONE LAST SPRING. VON ECKARDT INDICATED ADENAUER WOULD ASK FOR GLOBKE RESIGNATION MAY-JUNE BEFORE ELECTION CAMPAIGN IN FULL SWING. AFTER VON ECKARDT DEPARTURE, DEPUTY FED PRESS CHIEF KRUEGER CONFIRMED FOREGOING AND ADDED HE CONVINCED VON ECKARDT ANGLING FOR GLOBKE POST.

2. IN SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION END JAN, ANOTHER SENIOR FED PRESS OFFICE OFFICIAL VOLUNTEERED INFO THAT VON ECKHARDT TRYING CAUSE GLOBKE'S

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OFFICIAL STATED VON ECKARDT "PLYING FOR HIGH STAKES", INTENDING SUCCEED  
GLOBKE OR BECOME STATE SEC FOR EUROPEAN INTEGRATION TO BE NEWLY CREATED  
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3. SOURCE COMMENT: UNABLE SAY WHETHER GLOBKE OR <sup>HEINRICH</sup> VON BRENTANO AWARE  
VON ECKARDT PLANS. VON BRENTANO, HOWEVER, UNDERSTOOD BE THINKING SERIOUSLY  
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4. FIELD COMMENT KUBARK ONLY:

A. VON ECKARDT MADE STATEMENT PARA 1 ABOVE TO [ ] IN RESPONSE  
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B. [ ]

[ ] WAS SOURCE PARA 2 ABOVE ON 24 JAN. [ ]

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E. APROPOS EMERGING IMPORTANCE VON ECKARDT, SEE PARA 6 EGOM 31576.

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